

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION AND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

Michael A. Maguire 2101 Seamans Neck Rd. Seaford, NY 11783-2545

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request No. EPA-HQ-2014-005607

Dear Mr. Maguire:

This letter is in reference to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on April 15, 2014, in which you requested information on how many of John Beale's supervisors were disciplined for their gross managerial failings, to include the number of such disciplined supervisors, their titles and grade, and their punishment.

The Office of Administration and Resources Management has reviewed your request and can neither confirm nor deny the existence of such records. If such records exist, the FOIA would not apply to them pursuant to the following:

- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(2), which protects information related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6), which protects information that, if disclosed, would invade another individual's personal privacy; and
- 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(c), which protects information that could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response to the National Freedom of Information Officer, U.S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only), FAX: (202) 566-2147, E-mail: <a href="https://hq.foia@epa.gov">hq.foia@epa.gov</a>. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit. The appeal letter should include the tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

If you have any questions concerning this response please contact Lauren Lemley of my staff at 202-564-1290.

Sincerely,

John L. Showman, III

Director, Office of Policy and Resources Management